

**ABSTRACT**

**Receiving element for receiving a specimen detached from a  
biological mass by means of laser radiation**

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A receiving element (1) is provided for receiving a  
specimen detached from a biological mass (7) by means of  
laser radiation, the receiving element (1) comprising a  
receiving surface for receiving the specimen, the receiving  
10 surface comprising an adhesive agent (4) for enhancing the  
adhesion of the respective specimen to the receiving  
surface. The adhesive agent (4) suppresses the occurrence  
of electrostatic forces, acting on the specimen, in the  
receiving element (1), may be dissolved without damaging  
15 the specimen and/or may receive agents for further  
processing of the specimen. A suitable adhesive agent (4)  
is in particular a hydrogel such as for example agarose.  
Such a receiving element (1) is suitable in particular for  
collecting specimens catapulted out of the biological mass  
20 (7).

(Fig. 1)